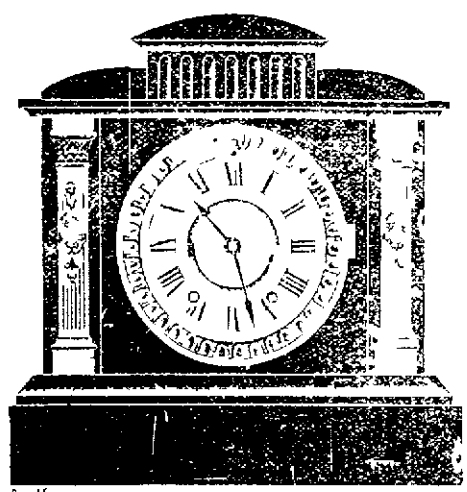


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**"Time of Day"**

About the house, it pays to buy this kind  
We have them in Marble, Walnut, "Marbled-  
ized Iron and Nickel Frames, and we can  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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to the Illinois State Convention of the  
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FRIDAY EVE, APRIL 4, 1890

**LOCAL NEWS.**

Don't fail to examine the mammoth  
stock of Toilet Sets at  
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

ENTER comes on Sunday

Council meeting Monday night—the  
first session in April

You can see 'Our Boarding House  
comedy at the Grand to night

Let Snow Flake bread is praised by  
everybody who uses it. Buy some

To-day Geo W. Ehrhart & Co. unloaded  
another carload of those superb Port  
Limon bananas

Do you have 10 miles of brick paved  
streets, and will have 10 miles more  
within a few years

The choicest of family groceries and  
California fruits are on sale at J. Lytle &  
Co's complete store

Last night Rev. W. H. Prentiss left for  
Cincinnati, Ohio, going over the I. D. &  
W. road by way of Indianapolis

Over 1500 people visited the river  
yesterday, mainly out of curiosity, to  
witness the search for the body of young  
Leforge

Sgt. Den Chamberlain for the best of  
photos and cabinets

Most superb Haines & Everett pianos  
are on sale only at C. B. Prescott's music  
store. There is the place to secure real  
bargains in musical instruments

CHIEF SHERIFF made his maiden  
speech yesterday at the court room in the  
case of Leomis vs. the Administrator of  
Hinks estate

Bro. at Hanks & Patterson's grocery  
store on South Water street for table  
supplies

Several preparatory services will be  
held in the Presbyterian church at 7:30  
this evening. The public is invited.  
There will be a meeting of the session to  
receive new members at the close of the  
meeting

There are about 20 young people at  
the Decatur Business College who are  
learning to use the Remington typewriting  
machines. There are three of  
the Remington writers in constant use  
in the college and only one machine of a  
different make

The Arnold crematory, which was erected  
at a cost of \$10,000, has been torn down.  
This is the fate of most crematories in  
Illinois. They don't pay

Last night Officer Miller arrested Tom  
Butterfield for creating a disturbance and  
lodged him in the calaboose. Tom  
had a good sized jaw on early in the evening  
and his arrest was not unexpected

Ask leading grocers for White Leaf  
and Daily Bread flour

When the Citizens' company get their  
new rails in place which will be done  
very rapidly the cars will run as  
smoothly as they do on North street

John Young, at the Bertram office, is  
the Decatur agent for the Remington  
Standard Typewriter, the most perfect  
machine made, the favorite with all ex-  
pert operators who desire quick work and  
perfect alignment

The services at the W. C. T. U. Sun-  
day at 3 p. m. will be in charge of  
Rev. Phillips. This service will be the  
first in the series of Union Temperance  
revival services to be held in this city the  
coming week

The Muscogean society hold a convoca-  
tion in Peoria from the 14th to the 16th of  
April. The number of candidates is very  
large, larger than ever before known in  
the history of the order, and there are  
fears that the poor goat will be over-  
loaded

There is a full line of superior gro-  
ceries and canned fruits at Moore Bros.  
store on North Water street

Last night the Wilbur company gave  
"A Night Out" at the Grand under the  
title of "A Night in Rome," prefacing the  
performance with a scene from "The  
Hunchback," which singular to state was  
concluded with a Highland fling by Mr.  
Wynn and Edith Wilbur. The audience  
was light. Our Boarding House will  
be the play to-night

You will praise White Foam flour  
Buy it

The Milkman's Convention in con-  
tinue will be given by the ladies of the  
Y. W. C. T. U. in the Y. W. C. T. U. Rooms  
Library Block on Friday evening, April  
4th. The Business College has kindly  
given their night school room in which  
the "Convention," will be served on  
cream cake sandwiches coffee and eggs  
The opera house orchestra will furnish  
music the entire evening. There will  
also be a table of fancy work 31 35

The children's eyes are made glad,  
festooning the many Easter novelties in  
the show window of Saxton & Andrews,  
next door to the postoffice  
mar24-dw2w

At Brown's College

New classes are being formed for the  
spring and summer months in the Business  
and short-hand and type writing  
courses. The present would be a good  
time to enroll. Call at the College for  
full particulars as to courses of study,  
rates of tuition, etc., or address the  
president  
april 4th

My shop will not be open on Sunday  
Open till 12 o'clock Saturday night.  
mar31-dw

Seeking A.

John R. Miller and Peter Loeb are con-  
sidering the city to-day, taking cash sub-  
scriptions for the relief of the sufferers  
at Metropolis, Ill., which town was vis-  
ited recently by a destructive cyclone.  
The committee first appointed could not  
serve and the gentlemen named have  
taken the noble work in hand. They are  
meeting with success and will soon have  
a handsome sum to send to Metropolis  
in the name of Decatur

**Death of Mrs. Antoine Moll.**  
Mrs. Cecilia Moll, wife of Antoine  
Moll, died at 9:50 o'clock this morning at  
the family residence, No. 371 West Wood  
street aged 71 years, 4 months and 13  
days. Heart disease was the cause. The  
deceased was married twice. Her chil-  
dren are Mrs. L. P. Graham, wife of Al-  
derman Graham, Joseph Sutter, John  
Satter and S. B. Moll  
The funeral will occur Sunday after-  
noon

**Returned from Jacksonville**  
Mrs. W. C. Miller and Mrs. J. H. Be-  
ans arrived home last evening from Jack-  
sonville, where they attended the annual  
meeting of the Illinois branch of the  
Women's Board of Missions of the Con-  
gregational church, which convened yester-  
day. At the closing meeting Miss J.  
Zimmer and Miss Maud Berggren, both  
soon to go out as missionaries made the  
chief addresses. Mrs. J. B. Smith, of  
Chicago, read an able paper. The treas-  
urer reported increasing receipts amount-  
ing to upwards of \$19,000. The next  
convention is to be held in Ottawa. Mrs.  
O. H. Chase was chosen president, and  
Mrs. William Montgomery secretary, both  
residents of Chicago. Mrs. W. A. Talcott  
of Rockford, was elected treasurer

**Death of J. B. Hatch**  
This morning R. A. Nowell received a  
copy of the Dallas, Texas, News, of  
March 23, which contains the obituary of  
Jerome B. Hatch, a former resident of  
Decatur, who died at Dallas recently in  
the 62d year of his age. The deceased  
was a brother of W. H. Hatch, of Dallas,  
son-in-law of Mr. Newell, and a brother of  
the late "Square M. K. Hatch. He went  
to Dallas in 1872, and was the agent for  
the Osborne & Co. agricultural implement  
firm. He leaves a widow, one son and  
one daughter, an aged mother, four  
brothers and two sisters to mourn his  
death

**Will be Brought to Decatur**  
The colored Masons held a meeting  
last night and sent Stanton Fields to  
Springfield to ascertain the wishes of  
the widow in reference to the funeral  
and burial of the late Rev. E. Prior  
Moore, who died at Dallas recently in  
the 62d year of his age. The deceased  
was a brother of W. H. Hatch, of Dallas,  
son-in-law of Mr. Newell, and a brother of  
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the Osborne & Co. agricultural implement  
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one daughter, an aged mother, four  
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**Union Temperance Meeting**  
The committee appointed by Rev. T.  
W. Pinkerton to arrange time and place  
of the first of a series of temperance  
meetings have decided to have the pre-  
liminary opening meeting in the W. C.  
T. U. rooms on Sunday afternoon at 3:30  
o'clock, which will be addressed by Rev.  
Robert Phillips and others. D. L. Bunn  
will lead the singing. The next meeting  
will likely be held at the Church in church  
on Monday night, and will be addressed  
by pastors of the churches and others

**State Sunday School Convention**  
The Thirty-second annual convention  
of the Illinois State Sunday School Asso-  
ciation will be held in the city of Jack-  
sonville on Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Thursday, May 13, 14 and 15, 1910. The  
sessions of the convention will be held in  
the Centenary M. E. church beginning  
at 10 o'clock, and closing Thursday evening.  
Each county in the state will be  
entitled to 10 delegates except Cook,  
which is unlimited. All railroads will  
carry delegates at one and one-third fare  
for round trip

A number of young ladies and gentle-  
men are taking steps towards the orga-  
nization of a Lawn Tennis Club. A meet-  
ing will be held Monday evening at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Hildebrandt  
on Prairie Avenue to effect such an  
organization

**Special Notice**  
On Saturday only  
All wool Carpet will sell at 6c.  
Cotton Chain Carpet will sell at 4c.  
\$2.75 Smyrna Rugs at \$2.49  
\$3.75 Smyrna Rugs at \$3.49  
\$5.55 Smyrna Rugs at \$4.99  
Big Oak and Cedar Stairs,  
South Side Park

The first grand triennial encampment  
of Patriarchs Militant will be held in  
Chicago during the week commencing  
August 11th. The grand parade will  
take place Thursday, the 14th, when it is  
expected that more than 100,000 Patri-  
archs Militant will be in line, together  
with fully 15,000 encampment and subor-  
dinate lodge members. Prize drills will  
be held during the week, for which prizes  
aggregating \$5,000 will be awarded

**Woman's Club Meeting**  
Regular meeting of the Woman's Club  
in the Club Rooms, Saturday, April 3 at  
2 p. m. By order of  
Mrs. M. M. T. RANDALL  
Alice Tyler, Secy

**The Library Board**  
Adjourned meeting of the Public  
Library Board, Wednesday, April 3, '10  
Present—Messrs. Barnes, Wells, Dur-  
fee, Quinn, and Mrs. Barnes  
The minutes of the last meeting read  
and approved. The librarian's report  
was read, and on motion was received  
and ordered placed on file.

The following bills have been ap-  
proved by the finance committee were  
ordered paid J. H. Evans, books, \$141.25,  
Herman Spies, binding, \$64.70,  
Decatur Electric company, lights, \$8.00,  
Glaslight & Coke company, gas, \$8.40,  
Alice G. Evans, salary, \$50, Margaret I.  
Cloyd, salary, \$20, Alice Tyler, services,  
\$5, William Peake, janitor, \$5, Alice G.  
Evans, drawer, \$1.80.  
The list of books presented by the  
Library committee was ordered pur-  
chased, and also 2,000 cards for use in  
the Library. W. A. BARNES, Pres  
MARY W. BARNES, Secy

**Wall Paper.**  
Curtains, Wall Paper and Chinese  
Matings in new ideas and excellent qual-  
ity at bottom prices.  
apr2-dwtf ARTS' CARPET HOUSE.

It is understood that the Republican

friends of Hon. W. H. Kretzinger, of  
Latham, will insist on giving him a re-  
nomination for representative in Logan  
county. The fact that "Kretz" is the  
staunch friend of the miners and all  
working organizations makes him strong,  
not only in Logan county but in Macon  
county as well. His record is that he  
has earnestly supported every measure  
presented by the miners. Who will be  
the Macon county candidate?

**At the Depot**  
When the Wabash train arrived last  
night at 10:10 from Jacksonville, there  
were about 25 christian people on the  
Union depot platform to see and greet  
the noted evangelist, Rev. B. Fay Mills,  
and the vocalist, Mr. Greenwood, who  
were en route to Jersey City to continue  
their religious work. The greetings to  
the evangelists were of a very cordial  
character. Mr. Mills stated that the  
meetings just closed at Jacksonville re-  
sulted in 800 conversions, and that the  
city had been stirred as never before.  
The people gave the young men a great  
send off when the train left Jacksonville.  
As stated in these columns last evening,  
Rev. Mills has made an engagement to  
begin a series of meetings at Springfield  
on July 15th

**PERSONAL MENTION**  
Will Chenoweth, of Oakley, was in the  
city last night.  
Dr. J. L. Connolly of Niantic, is in the  
city to-day  
James C. Lake returned this morning  
from Springfield.  
Joe S. Hughes, the tuner, is in the  
city of the world's fair  
J. B. Wilson and wife, of Dayton, Ohio,  
are at the St. Nicholas  
Miss Carrie Clark has returned from  
an extended trip through Mexico.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Winter are in Chi-  
cago visiting relatives and friends  
Dr. W. J. Chenoweth was called to  
Hammond this morning on business.  
Miss Stockbridge, the portrait artist,  
will leave for Tacoma, Washington, with-  
in ten days  
H. Pinks, of Lincoln, Ill., who has been  
visiting Frank Atlas, departed this morn-  
ing for Lafayette, Ind.  
Mr. Geo. B. Hank, of Indianapolis, is a  
new workman in the manufacturing de-  
partment of Otto L. Curtis & Bro.  
Frank Handy, who has been visiting  
Decatur relatives for the past week, de-  
parted this forenoon for St. Paul, Minn.  
Miss Beane Pegram, of Lincoln, Ill.,  
arrived in the city this morning and is the  
guest of her sister Mrs. A. T. Summers  
Mrs. Jesse Stevens Page has returned  
to her home in Peoria, after a visit with  
her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas  
Hays  
Miss Annie Lewis, who has been visit-  
ing Justice and Mrs. P. B. Provost, will  
leave to-morrow noon for her home in  
Davenport.  
Dr. J. F. Reid, the veterinary surgeon,  
was in St. Louis this morning on pro-  
fessional business. He is in La Place  
this afternoon  
Justice Lukens, accompanied by his  
mother and his sister, Miss Mary, de-  
parted this afternoon for California for  
the benefit of his health  
J. B. Jack, manager for the Roland  
Reed company, which troupe appears  
here Friday, April 11th, in "The Woman  
Hater," is in the city to-day  
E. H. Martin, of New York city arrived  
last evening to accept the position of  
window trimmer and decorator at Brad-  
ley Bros. New York Store.

**Died at Central**  
L. W. Weldon, ex mayor of Central,  
died in that city yesterday morning, aged  
seventy-one years. He was a native of  
Pennsylvania, but has resided in Cen-  
tral for about 20 years. Mr. Weldon has  
been supervisor, alderman, mayor and  
treasurer of the board of education and  
has held several appointive offices. The  
deceased was well known in this city

**Postponement**  
The Universalist social which was to  
have been held at the residence of Mr.  
and Mrs. B. Burgess this evening has  
been postponed until Wednesday evening  
of next week, at the same place

**Decided**  
Last evening in the county court a  
verdict was reached in the case of Mrs.  
E. Loomis against the administrator of  
the estate of the late John Hanks. The  
daughter brought suit for \$1900 for the  
personal care of her aged and afflicted  
father, and considerable time was taken  
up in having evidence as to what the  
services were worth. The jury gave the  
lady a verdict for \$885

**Mrs. ELIZABETH PRIOR**, the oldest per-  
son in Central Illinois, died at her home  
in Normal yesterday. She was born on  
Dec. 29, 1790, and was in her 100th year.  
Her 99th birthday was celebrated by her  
children, grandchildren and great grand-  
children at the home of her daughter,  
Mrs. K. H. Fell, in Normal. Her death  
was sudden and unexpected. She was a  
native of Chester county, Penn. She  
drew a pension for her husband's ser-  
vice in the war of 1812.

**The Decatur Steam Laundry**  
On April 7th the Decatur Steam Lau-  
dry, at 147 South Water street, will be  
prepared to do all kinds of laundry work.  
The laundry is of the very latest im-  
provements, and everything will be in  
order to do the very best work. The  
public is invited to call and try our laun-  
dry work 2 dw1

**A Concert Star.**  
The following extract from a late copy  
of the Topeka (Kas.) State-Journal has  
reference to a "Lafayette" lady of talent  
who has frequently visited Decatur

**BRILLIANT CONCERT**  
The concert given by twenty  
pupils of "The Great Western Conserva-  
tory," was the finest musical treat ever  
afforded Topeka people. Among the  
most noted was the new songstress, Miss  
Ella Clark, of Illinois. She sang "Fears  
Think of Me" as only an artist, as she  
is, could have done. She could have  
filled a hall ten times as large with her  
melodious and powerful voice. Her dra-  
matic power was very catching and added  
everything to her song

If your cough keeps you awake and  
restless by night, take Ayer's Cherry-Pec-  
toral and obtain immediate relief. This  
remedy allays inflammation, heals the pul-  
monary organs, induces sleep and re-  
stores health. The sooner you begin the  
better.

**Decatur College of Music.**  
CONVENE MAIN AND WILLIAM STREETS.  
A Pupils' Recital will be given Tues-  
day, April 8, at 8 p. m., to which all in-  
terested in the college are invited.  
Spring term commences Monday,  
April 11.  
ANNA W. BERRY,  
Directress.

BARTON LEFORGE'S BODY.

Frutless Efforts to Recover It—  
The Search Still in Progress.

NOT FOUND.

The body of Barton Leforge, drowned  
Wednesday evening, still remains at the  
bottom of the Sangamon river. Although  
the search has been prosecuted unceas-  
ingly and every reasonable suggestion  
acted upon, thus far the efforts put forth  
have been without avail. It is still the  
theory that the body is at some point not  
far from where the boat capsized. Several  
men in boats remained until a late hour  
last night using poles and hooks, but  
without success. This morning the  
search was renewed under the direction  
of Coroner Bondure, assisted by Charles  
Leforge, cousin of the deceased, and  
others. There were 10 boats in use and  
about 30 men employed to aid in the  
work. There is no effective way of drag-  
ging the river except with hooks and  
poles and the Coroner is going down the  
stream a foot at a time from bank to  
bank, searching the bottom of the river  
for the body. The body had not been  
found up to noon when operations ceased,  
and the Coroner, Charles Leforge and  
Tom Weaver came to the city for dinner.

**EFFECTS OF DYNAMITE**  
There were three charges of dynamite  
exploded yesterday afternoon on the sur-  
face of the river near where the drowning  
occurred, one charge of 10 pounds and  
two of 20 pounds each. The charges  
were placed in small boxes with fuses  
attached and so placed as to explode at  
the point desired. The explosion caused  
the water to rise nearly 50 feet, and they  
killed a wagonload of fish of all sizes,  
while buildings in the city were shaken  
and window lights broken out by the  
shocks. The disturbance in the water  
was great, but the body did not appear.  
Last night the scene was stretched across  
the river before the Illinois Central rail-  
road bridge

**A TALK WITH SAM NAYLOR.**  
Samuel Naylor, the young man who  
was in the boat with Bart, made a state-  
ment of the mishap this morning. He  
said in substance that when he saw the  
boat was tipping over he jumped into the  
river and tried to keep afloat by swim-  
ming. He felt that his water soaked  
clothes would sink him and he thought  
he was gone when the boat struck him  
from beneath. It had gone out of sight  
under the water and fortunately had  
struck him as it came up. Sam clutched  
it and held on, floating down the river  
rapidly with the current. All the time  
he called loudly for help. Bailing boys  
who had gone up the river in another  
boat. They did not hear him, but Linn  
Blackstone and his party did, and Linn  
came to the rescue in his boat and got  
Naylor out. Sam says he saw Bart but  
once after the accident and then Bart  
was on the surface with both arms in his  
hands. He was trying to swim but he  
went down with the weight of his water  
soaked clothes. Neither of the young  
men went under when the boat capsized.  
Bart fell in the water eastward with  
the oars in his hands and the current car-  
ried him down stream 25 or 30 feet before  
he sank. Part way down the stream  
Sam's feet struck a stump and on that he  
rested for a short time before the rushing  
water carried him off with the boat. Sam  
says he thinks Bart was struggling in the  
water two or three minutes before he  
sank

**NOTES**  
At the hour of going to press the body  
had not been recovered. The men are  
now searching near the Illinois Central  
bridge

Both of the sons that Bart had in his  
hands have been found. The last one  
was found yesterday evening near a sym-  
onore tree

This afternoon Coroner Bondure took  
a supply of food from the Combs restau-  
rant to the river for the men at work

Much sympathy is expressed on every  
hand for the distressed parents. This is  
indeed a great trial for them, a shocking  
experience which seldom visits a family

The dam was not opened yesterday  
afternoon. Such was the purpose of the  
parties in charge but after consideration  
it was admitted that the opening of the  
dam would not do any good in lowering  
the water or causing sufficient suction  
The river is very high and it is raining

**Attention, G. A. R.**  
Candidates are requested to call at 1st Nat  
bank on Sunday, April 4th at 10 o'clock  
for the purpose of attending a body  
of the 4th anniversary of the organization of  
the G. A. R. at the Academy of the Grand  
Olympic Hotel. Rev. W. H. Bondure will  
preach the sermon. A cordial invitation is  
extended to the War and Relief Corps and Sons of  
Veterans to meet with and join in our 4th anni-  
versary at the Grand Olympic Hotel, April 4th,  
10 o'clock. By order of the G. A. R.  
1910

**Pastor Services**  
Very interesting and impressive Easter  
services will be held at the Congrega-  
tional church Sunday, morning and even-  
ing. Morning, 10 o'clock, and evening,  
7 o'clock. Reciting and extending  
the right hand of fellowship to new  
members and celebrating the Lord's  
Supper. Evening, The Arion Quartette  
will render several choice selections, ex-  
cuseless for the buyers' interests, and  
have been able to attend all the services

The "Dirty Duke of Norfolk" thought  
washing with soap was absurd. So it is,  
unless you invariably use Cole's Carboli-  
salve, the best toilet article for the com-  
plexion and skin blemishes. No other  
soap equals it

**Sales of Real Estate.**  
O. J. Zimmerman to Webster H. Rapp,  
lot 21, block 2, of Higgins' addition, \$515  
Lower Burrows to Michael Peontik,  
lot 15 block 8, of Fiedecord & Burrows'  
addition, on Lower street—\$225

To the shoe buyers of Decatur and  
Vicinity

We are continuing to retail goods at  
wholesale prices. Our stock is all new,  
fresh and clean, and we are receiving  
new goods daily. We have incurred the  
enmity of every shoe dealer in Decatur  
simply because we have made prices  
which sell the goods. We have had no  
space for the buyers' interests, and  
have been able to satisfy to undersell every  
competitor. We own our goods cheaper  
and can always sell them cheaper. We  
are here to do business, not for pleasure  
or recreation, and we propose this year  
to fight harder than ever for increased  
trade. We have the price that knock.

We have a ladies' dongola button shoe  
for \$1, which beats anything in Illinois.  
Men's calf shoes in Congress at \$2, un-  
surpassed anywhere for the money, and  
unapproached in Decatur or central Illi-  
nois. This will serve as something of an  
index to the low prices which we offer on  
anything in our stock. Call and see for  
yourself. The Farnes & Lapham Shoe  
Store, 148 East Main street  
March 27-dw1

Miss Clara McCoy arrived home from  
Chicago this morning, where she has  
been attending the millinery openings  
and posting herself on the latest styles  
in the interest of Mrs. K. Einstein.

**THE LATEST**  
\* **IMPORTATIONS**

—OF—  
**ELEGANT DRESS GOODS,**  
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tinue to the end.

The good will and stock would be sold in bulk  
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### THE BOYS OF CONGRESS.

THE PAGES AT THE CAPITOL AND  
WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO.

Freelance Writers Who Know a Great  
Deal About Politics—Their Pay and Their  
Perquisites—"Tipping" in Large Figures.  
Pages Who Have Risen.

The pages of the senate and house are a  
sort of understudy to the statesmen.  
Each has some senator or member whom  
he admires and imitates, and it is not be-  
yond the range of his ambition that he  
may some day occupy a seat in congress  
himself. They have a sort of fellow  
feeling for Senator Gorman and other  
statesmen who have risen from a seat in  
the steps by the vice president's desk to  
a chair in the legislative body. All the  
pages are statesmen in their way, and  
are up in politics. Their fate is de-  
pendent upon the welfare of their mem-  
bers, and they rise and fall with their party.  
In a Republican senate the boys are all  
Republicans, and in the house they come  
and go as the majorities shift.

The senate pages have a more secure  
tenure and hold themselves to be of a  
little more importance than the boys  
who wait on the representatives. The  
latter profess contempt for a class of  
young individuals who don't take the  
chances of politics at every election, and  
pride themselves upon their own close  
alliance to their party's vicissitudes.  
They look upon the knee breeched at-  
taches of the senate as old fogies without  
knowledge or wire pulling. They are  
themselves as fat on all matters politi-  
cal.

They are the "legs" of the congressmen,  
but they have heads of their own that  
are crowded with schemes to their full  
capacity. They are not usually well up  
in book learning, but are well up on  
affairs of state. They enter public life  
at the mature age of 10 or 11 years, upon  
a salary of \$2.50 a day and some per-  
quisites as fall into their hands, and, if  
their political fortunes are good, remain  
in service until they are no longer boys.  
Then they go out into the world to be-  
come politicians, drummers, railroad  
presidents or congressmen, or else take a  
downward turn. They usually enter the  
field of politics as they are familiar with  
all its branches. They are fully equipped  
for the position of senator or representa-  
tive, but deficient in almost all other use-  
ful knowledge.

The average page of 14 or 15 years old  
counts in his wardrobe a beaver hat, a  
pair of knee breeches, a cigar case, a  
Lord Clonmeyer overcoat and a horn  
handbag. Many of these boys have a  
brilliant career during their tender years,  
and have gone through all excesses of  
nature manhood before they are old  
enough to vote at any well regulated  
election.

On the house side there are thirty  
pages, fifteen who sit on the right of the  
speaker to wait on the Democrats and  
fifteen on the other side to respond to the  
call of the Republicans. They are under  
the command of two chief pages, who  
have been promoted from the ranks, and  
a one armed captain, who is chief in  
command.

The chief page of the senate side is  
almost as old as the senate itself and is  
custodian of the snuff box and all the  
antiques and furnishings of that body;  
while the pages who are under com-  
mand of Capt. Bassett are usually  
very small boys.

When a senator claps his hands half a  
dozen small boys rush out from different  
directions, coming to collision in the  
center aisle, and the one who sustains the  
shock and picks himself up quickest  
holds the secret conference with the sen-  
ator and then with a pompous air starts  
off on a private mission—to the document  
room for a bill or to the library for a  
book.

It takes almost as much political in-  
fluence to be a senate page in congress  
as to get a foreign mission. The usual  
age is from 10 to 15, and very few remain  
after the age of 18.

Some of them, after outgrowing their  
position, have done well in the world,  
but many have acquired dissipated hab-  
its which have ended their career disas-  
trously at an early age. Familiar con-  
spicuous examples of success are those  
of Senator Gorman, ex-Representative  
Scott, of Erie, and the late Representa-  
tive Townsend, of Illinois, who became a  
distinguished public life. Others have been  
quite as successful in business or profes-  
sional life, though not as well known.

Pages usually make considerable money  
and make it easily, and they spend it  
with freedom. Besides their salaries  
they turn a good many honest dollars.  
They complain in these days that they  
have not the opportunities they used to  
have for making extra money. Rich  
and liberal members often pay them  
large sums for small services. In the  
house each page has to file the records  
for ten members.

This is part of the duty for which they  
are paid by the government, but each mem-  
ber, at the end of the session, usually  
gives the page who has done his duty  
from \$5 to \$10. If a member sends a  
page off to buy a theatre ticket or make  
some small purchase he often gives him  
a \$5 or \$10 bill and lets him keep the  
change of the transaction. Some of the  
rich representatives and senators are in  
the habit of making presents of money  
to the pages at Christmas time and at  
the end of the session.

THE AUTOGRAPH BUSINESS.  
The autograph business used to be very  
profitable. Every morning the pages  
would go around from member to mem-  
ber as they reached the hall and solicit  
their signatures in big autograph books.  
A book containing all the names was  
worth from \$5 to \$10 to the page who  
had it. They found a ready sale for  
these books as fast as they could fill  
them, and it did not take long to get all  
the signatures. One of the regular duties  
of a member was to sign his name about  
thirty times each morning. An auto-  
graph book is seldom seen in either the  
house or senate now. The fact is that  
there are not now as many chances for  
the pages to make money as there used  
to be.

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sible to do, and we must prepare for the  
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